

General Assembly

Proposed Bill No. 5933

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Referred to Committee on Public Health

Introduced by:

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AN ACT CONCERNING THE USE OF STATE FUNDS FROM THE TOBACCO SETTLEMENT AND TOBACCO TAXES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 That the general statutes be amended to require that a minimum of
- 2 ten per cent of annual state receipts from the tobacco settlement, and
- 3 ten per cent of state revenues from tobacco-product taxes be dedicated
- 4 to programs related to (1) tobacco education, prevention and cessation
- 5 programs, (2) programs for the promotion of pulmonary health, (3)
- 6 programs to reduce the incidence of asthma, and (4) programs to
- 7 expand access to health care for underinsured and uninsured children
- 8 and adults.

Statement of Purpose:

To ensure that state funds derived from the tobacco settlement and tobacco taxes go toward programs that will ameliorate the impact of tobacco-related illnesses, and to protect public health.